# Isomorphism classes of A-hypergeometric systems

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#### Abstract

For a finite set A of integral vectors, Gel'fand, Kapranov and Zelevinskii defined a system of differential equations with a parameter vector as a D-module, which system is called an A-hypergeometric (or a GKZ hypergeometric) system. Classifying the parameters according to the D-isomorphism classes of their corresponding A-hypergeometric systems is one of the most fundamental problems in the theory. In this paper we give a combinatorial answer for the problem, and illustrate it in two particularly simple cases: the normal case and the monomial curve case.

# 1 Introduction

For a finite set A of integral vectors, Gel'fand, Kapranov and Zelevinskii defined a system of differential equations with a parameter vector as a D-module, which system is called an A-hypergeometric (or a GKZ hypergeometric) system ([5]). Many authors studied D-invariants of the A-hypergeometric systems: In Cohen-Macaulay case, Gel'fand, Kapranov and Zelevinskii determined the characteristic cycles ([6]) and proved the irreducibility of the monodromy representations for nonresonant parameters ([4]); Adolphson proved the rank of an A-hypergeometric system equals the volume of the convex hull of A in the semi-nonresonant case ([1]); The author, Sturmfels and Takayama scrutinized the ranks in [13]; Cattani, D'Andrea, and Dickenstein determined rational solutions and algebraic solutions in monomial curve case ([2]), and recently Cattani, Dickenstein, and Sturmfels in [3] considered when an A-hypergeometric system has a rational solution other than Laurent polynomial solutions.

The purpose of this paper is to classify A-hypergeometric systems with respect to D-isomorphisms. This is one of the most fundamental problems in the theory. Under the assumption that the finite set A lies in a hyperplane off the origin, we shall give a combinatorial answer for this problem, and illustrate it in two particularly simple cases: the normal case and the monomial curve case.

Throughout the paper, we consider the finite set A fixed. In Section 2, we define a finite set  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$  for a parameter  $\beta$  and a face  $\tau$  of the cone generated by A. Then our main theorem (Theorem 2.1) states that two A-hypergeometric

systems corresponding to parameters  $\beta$  and  $\beta'$  are *D*-isomorphic if and only if  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$  equals  $E_{\tau}(\beta')$  for all faces  $\tau$ . In Section 2, we prove the only-if-part of the theorem and state some basic properties of the set  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$ .

Sections 3 and 4 are devoted to the study of the algebra of contiguity operators, which algebra is called the *symmetry algebra*. In Section 3, we summarize some known facts on the symmetry algebra. We introduce the b-ideals in Section 4 and prove their elements correspond to contiguity operators. Furthermore we describe each b-ideal in terms of the standard pairs of a certain monomial ideal. Using this description, we give the proof of the if-part of our main theorem in the end of Section 4.

In Sections 5 and 6, we illustrate our main theorem in the normal case and the monomial curve case respectively, since the theorem reduces to relatively simple forms in both cases.

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# 2 Main theorem

We work over a field **k** of characteristic zero. Let  $A = (a_1, \ldots, a_n) = (a_{ij})$  be an integer  $d \times n$ -matrix of rank d. We assume that all  $a_j$  belong to one hyperplane off the origin in  $\mathbf{Q}^d$ . We denote by  $I_A$  the toric ideal in  $\mathbf{k}[\partial] = \mathbf{k}[\partial_1, \ldots, \partial_n]$ , that is

$$I_A = \langle \partial^u - \partial^v | Au = Av, u, v \in \mathbf{N}^n \rangle \subset \mathbf{k}[\partial].$$

For a column vector  $\beta = {}^{t}(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_d) \in \mathbf{k}^d$ , let  $H_A(\beta)$  denote the left ideal of the Weyl algebra

$$D = \mathbf{k} \langle x_1, \dots, x_n, \partial_1, \dots, \partial_n \rangle$$

generated by  $I_A$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}\theta_j - \beta_i$  (i = 1, ..., d) where  $\theta_j = x_j\partial_j$ . The quotient  $M_A(\beta) = D/H_A(\beta)$  is called the A-hypergeometric system with parameter  $\beta$ .

We denote the set  $\{a_1,\ldots,a_n\}$  by A as well. Let  $\tau$  be a face of the cone

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A = \{ \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j a_j \mid c_j \in \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0} \}.$$
 (2.1)

For a parameter  $\beta \in \mathbf{k}^d$ , we consider the following set:

$$E_{\tau}(\beta) := \{ \lambda \in \mathbf{k}(A \cap \tau) / \mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau) \mid \beta - \lambda \in \mathbf{N}A + \mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau) \}.$$
 (2.2)

Here  $\mathbf{N} = \{0, 1, 2, ...\}$  and we agree that  $\mathbf{k}(A \cap \tau) = \mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau) = \{0\}$  when  $\tau = \{0\}$ .

The following is the main theorem in this paper.

**Theorem 2.1** The A-hypergeometric systems  $M_A(\beta)$  and  $M_A(\beta')$  are isomorphic as D-modules if and only if  $E_{\tau}(\beta) = E_{\tau}(\beta')$  for all faces  $\tau$  of the cone  $\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A$ .

Before the proof, we recall the formal series solutions  $\phi_v$  defined in [13]. For  $v \in \mathbf{k}^n$ , its negative support nsupp(v) is the set of indices i with  $v_i \in \mathbf{Z}_{<0}$ . When nsupp(v) is minimal with respect to inclusions among nsupp(v+u) with  $u \in \mathbf{Z}^n$  and Au = 0, v is said to have minimal negative support. For v with minimal negative support, we define a formal series

$$\phi_v = \sum_{u \in N_v} \frac{[v]_{u_-}}{[v+u]_{u_+}} x^{v+u}.$$
 (2.3)

Here

$$N_v = \{ u \in \mathbf{Z}^n \mid Au = 0, \operatorname{nsupp}(v) = \operatorname{nsupp}(v+u) \},$$

and  $u_+, u_- \in \mathbf{N}^n$  satisfy  $u = u_+ - u_-$  with disjoint supports, and  $[v]_w = \prod_{j=1}^n v_j(v_j-1)\cdots(v_j-w_j+1)$  for  $w \in \mathbf{N}^n$ . Proposition 3.4.13 of [13] states that the series  $\phi_v$  is a formal solution of  $M_A(Av)$ .

**Proof.** Here we prove the only-if-part of the theorem. The proof of the if-part will be given in the end of Section 4.

We suppose that  $\lambda \in E_{\tau}(\beta) \setminus E_{\tau}(\beta')$ , and we shall prove  $M_A(\beta)$  and  $M_A(\beta')$  are not isomorphic.

Represent  $\lambda$  as  $\sum_{a_j \in \tau} l_j a_j$ . Consider the direct product

$$R_{\tau,\lambda} := \prod_{u \in \mathbf{Z}^n, \, u_j \in \mathbf{N} \, (a_j \notin \tau)} \mathbf{k} x^{l+u}.$$

Here we put  $l_j = 0$  for  $a_j \notin \tau$ . Note that  $R_{\tau,\lambda}$  has the natural D-module structure. There exists  $u \in \mathbf{Z}^n$  with  $u_j \in \mathbf{N}$   $(a_j \notin \tau)$  such that  $\beta = A(l+u)$  and l+u has minimal negative support. Then the series  $\phi_{l+u} \in R_{\tau,\lambda}$  is a formal solution of  $M_A(\beta)$ , and hence  $\operatorname{Hom}_D(M_A(\beta), R_{\tau,\lambda}) \neq 0$ . On the other hand,  $\operatorname{Hom}_D(M_A(\beta'), R_{\tau,\lambda}) = 0$  since  $A(l+u) \neq \beta'$  for any  $u \in \mathbf{Z}^n$  with  $u_j \in \mathbf{N}$   $(a_j \notin \tau)$ . Therefore  $M_A(\beta)$  and  $M_A(\beta')$  are not isomorphic. [

In the remainder of this section, we collect some properties of the set  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$ . We call a face of  $\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A$  of dimension d-1, a facet. Recall that for a facet  $\sigma$  the linear form  $F_{\sigma}$  satisfying the following conditions is unique and called the primitive integral support function:

- 1.  $F_{\sigma}(\mathbf{Z}A) = \mathbf{Z}$ ,
- 2.  $F_{\sigma}(a_j) \geq 0$  for all  $j = 1, \ldots, n$ ,
- 3.  $F_{\sigma}(a_i) = 0$  for all  $a_i \in \sigma$ .

**Proposition 2.2** 1. Each  $E_{\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A}(\beta)$  consists of one element. The equality  $E_{\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A}(\beta) = E_{\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A}(\beta')$  means  $\beta - \beta' \in \mathbf{Z}A$ .

- 2.  $E_{\{0\}}(\beta) = \{0\} \text{ or } \emptyset$ .  $E_{\{0\}}(\beta) = \{0\} \text{ if and only if } \beta \in \mathbf{N}A$ .
- 3. For a facet  $\sigma$ ,  $E_{\sigma}(\beta) \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $F_{\sigma}(\beta) \in F_{\sigma}(\mathbf{N}A)$ .

- 4. For faces  $\tau \subset \sigma$ , there exists a natural map from  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$  to  $E_{\sigma}(\beta)$ . In particular, if  $E_{\tau}(\beta) \neq \emptyset$ , then  $E_{\sigma}(\beta) \neq \emptyset$ .
- 5. For any  $\chi \in \mathbf{N}A$ , there exists a natural inclusion from  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$  to  $E_{\tau}(\beta+\chi)$ .

**Proof.** All statements follow directly from the definition of  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$ .

## Proposition 2.3

$$|E_{\tau}(\beta)| \le [(\mathbf{Q}(A \cap \tau)) \cap \mathbf{Z}A : \mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau)].$$
 (2.4)

2. Assume  $(\mathbf{Q}(A \cap \tau)) \cap \mathbf{Z}A = \mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau)$ . If  $\beta - \beta' \in \mathbf{Z}A$ , and if neither  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$  nor  $E_{\tau}(\beta')$  is empty, then  $E_{\tau}(\beta) = E_{\tau}(\beta')$ .

## Proof.

- 1. Let  $\lambda, \lambda' \in E_{\tau}(\beta)$ . Then  $\lambda \lambda' \in (\mathbf{k}(A \cap \tau)) \cap \mathbf{Z}A$ . By Cramér's formula,  $(\mathbf{k}(A \cap \tau)) \cap \mathbf{Z}A = (\mathbf{Q}(A \cap \tau)) \cap \mathbf{Z}A$ .
- 2. Let  $E_{\tau}(\beta) = \{\lambda\}$ ,  $E_{\tau}(\beta') = \{\lambda'\}$ . Since  $\beta \beta' \in \mathbf{Z}A$ , there exist  $\chi, \chi' \in \mathbf{N}A$  such that  $\beta + \chi = \beta' + \chi'$ . Then  $\{\lambda\} = E_{\tau}(\beta + \chi) = E_{\tau}(\beta' + \chi') = \{\lambda'\}$  by Proposition 2.2 (5).

## Example 2.4 Let

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

There are four facets:

$$\sigma_{12}: = \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}a_1 + \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}a_2, \tag{2.5}$$

$$\sigma_{23}: = \mathbf{Q}_{>0}a_2 + \mathbf{Q}_{>0}a_3,$$
 (2.6)

$$\sigma_{34}: = \mathbf{Q}_{>0}a_3 + \mathbf{Q}_{>0}a_4, \tag{2.7}$$

$$\sigma_{14}: = \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}a_1 + \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}a_4, \tag{2.8}$$

and four one-dimensional faces:  $\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}a_1, \ldots, \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}a_4$ . For all faces  $\tau$  but  $\sigma_{14}$ , the indices  $[(\mathbf{Q}(A\cap\tau))\cap\mathbf{Z}A:\mathbf{Z}(A\cap\tau)]$  are one. Hence for  $\beta\in\mathbf{N}A$ ,  $E_{\tau}(\beta)=\{\,0\,\}$  for all faces  $\tau\neq\sigma_{14}$ . The quotient  $(\mathbf{Q}(A\cap\sigma_{14}))\cap\mathbf{Z}A/\mathbf{Z}(A\cap\sigma_{14})$  has two elements and can be represented by 0 and  $^t(1,1,0)$ . Since  $a_2-^t(1,1,0)=a_3-a_4$ , and  $a_3-^t(1,1,0)=a_2-a_1$ , we obtain  $E_{\sigma_{14}}(a_2)=E_{\sigma_{14}}(a_3)=\{\,0,^t(1,1,0)\,\}$ . Proposition 2.2 (5) implies that for  $\beta\in\mathbf{N}A$ ,  $E_{\sigma_{14}}(\beta)=\{\,0\,\}$  if and only if  $\beta\in\mathbf{N}a_1+\mathbf{N}a_4$ , otherwise  $E_{\sigma_{14}}(\beta)=\{\,0,^t(1,1,0)\,\}$ . Therefore  $\mathbf{N}A$  splits into two isomorphism classes in this case.

Recall that a parameter  $\beta$  is said to be nonresonant (respectively semi-nonresonant) if  $\beta \notin \mathbf{Z}A + \mathbf{k}(A \cap \sigma)$  (respectively  $\beta \notin (\mathbf{Z}A \cap \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A) + \mathbf{k}(A \cap \sigma)$ ) for any facet  $\sigma$ , or equivalently, if  $F_{\sigma}(\beta) \notin \mathbf{Z}$  (respectively  $F_{\sigma}(\beta) \notin \mathbf{N}$ ) for any facet  $\sigma$ . Hence the nonresonance implies the semi-nonresonance.

**Proposition 2.5** If  $\beta$  is semi-nonresonant, then  $E_{\tau}(\beta) = \emptyset$  for all proper faces  $\tau$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_{>0}A$ .

**Proof.** The semi-nonresonace clearly implies  $E_{\sigma}(\beta) = \emptyset$  for all facets  $\sigma$ . Proposition 2.2 (4) finishes the proof.  $\|$ 

Corollary 2.6 Let  $\beta$  and  $\beta'$  be semi-nonresonant. Then  $M_A(\beta)$  and  $M_A(\beta')$  are isomorphic if and only if  $\beta - \beta' \in \mathbf{Z}A$ .

**Proposition 2.7** If a parameter  $\beta$  satisfies

$$E_{\tau}(\beta) = \emptyset$$
 for all proper faces  $\tau$ , (2.9)

then

- 1. for any  $\chi \in \mathbf{N}A$ ,  $M_A(\beta \chi)$  is isomorphic to  $M_A(\beta)$ .
- 2. Recall that all elements of A lie on one hyperplane H off the origin. We normalize the volume of a polytope on H so that a simplex whose vertices affinely span the lattice  $H \cap \mathbb{Z}A$  has volume one. Then the rank of  $M_A(\beta)$ , i.e. the rank of the solution sheaf of  $M_A(\beta)$ , equals the volume of the convex hull of A.

**Proof.** (1) By Proposition 2.2 (5),  $E_{\tau}(\beta - \chi) = \emptyset$  for all proper faces  $\tau$ . Hence by Proposition 2.2 (1), we deduce the statement from Theorem 2.1. The proof of (2) is the same as that of Theorem 4.5.2 of [13] (p. 185).

# 3 Symmetry algebra

We consider the algebra of contiguity operators, which algebra is called the symmetry algebra. It controls isomorphisms among A-hypergeometric systems with different parameters. We have investigated the symmetry algebra of normal A-hypergeometric systems in [11]. The proofs of some results in [11] remain valid without the normality condition. In this section, we summarize such results.

Let

$$\tilde{S} := \{ P \in D \mid I_A P \subset DI_A \}.$$

Then  $\tilde{S}$  is an associative algebra and  $\tilde{S} \cap DI_A$  is its two-sided ideal. We call  $S := \tilde{S}/\tilde{S} \cap DI_A$  the symmetry algebra of A-hypergeometric systems. The symmetry algebra S is nothing but the algebra  $\operatorname{End}_D(D/DI_A)$ . We remark that  $D/DI_A$  can be considered as the system of differential equations for the generating functions of A-hypergeometric functions.

In what follows, we denote simply by P, the element of  $D/DI_A$  represented by  $P \in D$ . For  $\chi \in \mathbf{N}A$ , all  $\partial^u$  with  $Au = \chi$  represent the same element in  $D/DI_A$ . Hence we sometimes denote it by  $\partial^{\chi}$ .

**Proposition 3.1** 1.  $\partial_1, \ldots, \partial_n \in S$ .

- 2.  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij}\theta_j \in S \text{ for all } i=1,\ldots,d.$
- 3. The morphism from the polynomial ring  $\mathbf{k}[s] = \mathbf{k}[s_1, \dots, s_d]$  to S mapping  $s_i$  to  $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}\theta_j$   $(i=1,\dots,d)$  is injective.

**Proof.** See Lemma 1.1 in [11] for (1) and (2), and Corollary 1.3 in [11] for (3).  $\|$ 

We consider that  $\mathbf{Z}A$  is the character group of the algebraic torus  $T = \{(t_1, \ldots, t_d) | t_1, \ldots, t_d \in \mathbf{k}^{\times}\}$ . Let N be the dual group of  $\mathbf{Z}A$ , and  $s_1, \ldots, s_d$  the basis of  $\mathbf{k} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} N$  dual to the standard basis of  $\mathbf{k}^d = \mathbf{k} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}A$ . Under the identification of  $\mathbf{k} \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} N$  with the Lie algebra of T([8]), each  $s_i$  equals  $t_i \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i}$ . The morphism in Proposition 3.1 (3) is induced from the differential of the injective morphism:

$$T \ni t \longmapsto (t^{a_1}, \dots, t^{a_n}) \in (\mathbf{k}^{\times})^n.$$
 (3.10)

We thus consider  $\mathbf{k}[s]$  as a subspace of S and, accordingly, as a subspace of  $D/DI_A$ . For each  $\chi \in \mathbf{Z}A$ , we define the weight space  $S_{\chi}$  with weight  $\chi$  by

$$S_{\chi} := \{\, P \in S \,|\, [s,P] = \chi(s)P \quad (\forall s \in N) \,\}.$$

Here the bracket [P, Q] means PQ - QP.

**Remark 3.2** Note that the multiplication by  $P \in S_{\chi}$  from the right defines a D-homomorphism from  $M_A(\beta + \chi)$  to  $M_A(\beta)$ . Hence  $P(\psi_{\beta})$  is a solution of  $M_A(\beta + \chi)$  for a solution  $\psi_{\beta}$  of  $M_A(\beta)$ . In this sense, the operator P is a contiguity operator shifting parameters by  $\chi$ .

**Theorem 3.3** 1. The symmetry algebra S has no zero-divisors.

2. The symmetry algebra S has the following weight space decomposition:

$$S = \bigoplus_{\chi \in \mathbf{Z}A} S_{\chi}. \tag{3.11}$$

- 3. The weight space  $S_0$  equals the polynomial ring  $\mathbf{k}[s]$ .
- 4. For each  $\chi \in \mathbf{N}A$ , the weight space  $S_{-\chi}$  equals  $\mathbf{k}[s]\partial^{\chi}$ .

**Proof.** See Lemma 1.4, and Propositions 2.3, 2.4, 2.9 in [11].

The following proposition will be used in the next section.

**Proposition 3.4** (Proposition 2.6 in [11]) The natural morphism

$$D/DI_A \longrightarrow \mathbf{k}\langle x, \partial^{\pm} \rangle / \mathbf{k}\langle x, \partial^{\pm} \rangle I_A$$

is injective where  $\mathbf{k}\langle x, \partial^{\pm} \rangle$  is the algebra generated by D and  $\partial_1^{-1}, \dots, \partial_n^{-1}$  with relations  $[x_i, \partial_j^{-1}] = \delta_{ij}\partial_j^{-2}$   $(i, j = 1, \dots, n)$ .

# 4 b-Ideals

We have seen in Theorem 3.3 that the symmetry algebra S has a weight decomposition with respect to  $\mathbf{Z}A$ , and that each  $S_{\chi}$  for  $-\chi \in \mathbf{N}A$  is the free  $\mathbf{k}[s]$ -module of rank one with basis  $\partial^{-\chi}$ . Next we wish to compute the weight space  $S_{\chi}$  for arbitrary  $\chi$ . Suppose that  $E \in S_{\chi}$  and  $\chi = \chi_{+} - \chi_{-}$  with  $\chi_{+}, \chi_{-} \in \mathbf{N}A$ . Then the operator  $E\partial^{\chi_{+}}$  belongs to  $S_{-\chi_{-}}$ . Hence by Theorem 3.3 (4), there exists a polynomial  $b \in \mathbf{k}[s]$  such that  $E\partial^{\chi_{+}} = b\partial^{\chi_{-}}$ . Such polynomials b varying  $E \in S_{\chi}$  form an ideal of  $\mathbf{k}[s]$ . We shall define the b-ideal  $B_{\chi}$  below to be such an ideal.

Fix any  $\chi \in \mathbf{Z}A$ , and define an ideal  $I_{\chi}$  of  $\mathbf{k}[\partial]$  by

$$I_{\chi} := I_A + M_{\chi} \tag{4.12}$$

where

$$M_{\chi} := \langle \partial^{u} | Au \in \chi + \mathbf{N}A \rangle. \tag{4.13}$$

Define the ideal  $B_{\chi}$  of b-polynomials by

$$B_{\chi} := \mathbf{k}[s] \cap DI_{\chi}. \tag{4.14}$$

**Proposition 4.1** Let  $\chi = \chi_+ - \chi_-$  with  $\chi_+, \chi_- \in \mathbf{N}A$ . For  $b \in B_\chi$ , there exists a unique operator  $E \in S_\chi$  such that  $b\partial^{\chi_-} = E\partial^{\chi_+}$ . The operator E is independent of the expression  $\chi = \chi_+ - \chi_-$ .

Moreover any operator in  $S_{\chi}$  can be obtained in this way.

**Proof.** Since  $b\partial^{\chi_-} \in DI_{\chi}\partial^{\chi_-} \subset DI_A + D\partial^{\chi_+}$ , there exists an operator  $E \in D$  such that  $b\partial^{\chi_-} = E\partial^{\chi_+}$ . The uniqueness, the independence, and  $E \in S_{\chi}$  follow from the equality  $E = b\partial^{\chi}$  in  $\mathbf{k}\langle x, \partial^{\pm} \rangle$  and Proposition 3.4.

Let  $E \in S_{\chi}$  and  $\chi = \chi_{+} - \chi_{-}$  with  $\chi_{+}, \chi_{-} \in \mathbf{N}A$ . Then  $E\partial^{\chi_{+}} \in S_{-\chi_{-}}$ . By Theorem 3.3 (4), there exists a polynomial  $b \in \mathbf{k}[s]$  such that  $E\partial^{\chi_{+}} = b\partial^{\chi_{-}}$ . Then  $b \in I_{\chi}$  and thus  $b \in B_{\chi}$ . [

We have the following algorithm of obtaining the operator  $E \in S_{\chi}$  corresponding to  $b \in B_{\chi}$ , which generalizes Algorithm 3.4 in [12].

**Algorithm 4.2** Let  $\chi = Au - Av$  and  $u, v \in \mathbb{N}^n$ .

Input: a polynomial  $b \in B_{\chi}$ . Output: an operator  $E \in S_{\chi}$  with  $E\partial^{u} = b\partial^{v}$ .

- 1. For i = 1, ..., n, compute a Gröbner basis  $G_i$  of  $I_A$  with respect to any reverse lexicographic term order with lowest variable  $\partial_i$ .
- 2. Expand  $b(\sum_j a_{1j}\theta_j, \dots, \sum_j a_{dj}\theta_j)\partial^v$  in  $\mathbf{Q}\langle x, \partial \rangle$  into a  $\mathbf{Q}$ -linear combination of monomials  $x^l \partial^m$ .
- 3. i := 1, E := the output of Step 2.

While  $i \leq n$ , do

- (a) Reduce E modulo  $\mathcal{G}_i$  in  $\mathbf{Q}\langle x, \partial \rangle$ .
- (b) The output of Step 3-(a) has  $\partial_i^{u_i}$  as a right factor. Divide it by  $\partial_i^{u_i}$ .
- (c) i := i + 1, E := the output of Step 3-(b).

The proof of the correctness is completely analogous to that of Algorithm 3.4 in [12].

We thus reduce the study of  $S_{\chi}$  to that of  $B_{\chi}$ , and for the study of  $B_{\chi}$  $\mathbf{k}[s] \cap DI_{\chi}$ , we study  $\mathbf{k}[\theta] \cap DI_{\chi}$  first. Since  $M_{\chi}$  is the largest monomial ideal in  $I_{\chi}$ , we have by Lemma 4.4.4 in [13],

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$$\mathbf{k}[\theta] \cap DI_{\chi} = \widetilde{M_{\chi}} \tag{4.15}$$

where  $\widetilde{M_{\chi}}$  is the distraction of  $M_{\chi}$ , i.e.,  $\widetilde{M_{\chi}} = \mathbf{k}[\theta] \cap DM_{\chi}$ .

For the study of  $\widetilde{M_{\chi}}$ , we recall the standard pairs of a monomial ideal. Let Mbe a monomial ideal of  $\mathbf{k}[\partial]$ . Then a pair  $(u,\tau)$  with  $u \in \mathbf{N}^n$  and  $\tau \subset \{1,\ldots,n\}$ is called a standard pair of M if it satisfies the following conditions:

- 1.  $u_j = 0$  for all  $j \in \tau$ . (We abbreviate this to  $u \in \mathbf{N}^{\tau^c}$ , where c stands for taking the complement.)
- 2. There exists no  $v \in \mathbf{N}^{\tau}$  such that  $\partial^{u+v} \in M$ .
- 3. For each  $j \notin \tau$ , there exists  $v \in \mathbf{N}^{\tau \cup \{j\}}$  such that  $\partial^{u+v} \in M$ .

For an algorithm of obtaining the set of standard pairs, see [7]. Let  $\mathcal{S}(M_{\chi})$ denote the set of standard pairs of  $M_{\chi}$ . By Corollary 3.2.3 in [13], the distraction  $M_{\chi}$  is described as follows:

$$\widetilde{M_{\chi}} = \bigcap_{(u,\tau)\in\mathcal{S}(M_{\chi})} \langle \theta_i - u_i | i \notin \tau \rangle. \tag{4.16}$$

**Lemma 4.4** Let  $(u, \tau)$  be a standard pair of  $M_{\chi}$ . Then  $A\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}^{\tau} := \sum_{j \in \tau} \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0} a_j$  is a proper face of  $\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A$ , and moreover  $\tau = \{i \mid a_i \in A\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}^{\tau}\}$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $A\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}^{\tau}$  is not contained in any facet of  $\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A$ . Then there exists  $\gamma \in A\mathbf{N}^{\tau} := \sum_{j \in \tau} \mathbf{N}a_j$  such that  $F_{\sigma}(\gamma) > 0$  for all facets  $\sigma$ . Then  $F_{\sigma}(Au + m\gamma) \gg 0$  for  $m \gg 0$  and all facets  $\sigma$ . By Lemma 1 in the appendix of [14],  $Au + m\gamma \in \chi + \mathbf{N}A$  for  $m \gg 0$ . This contradicts  $(u, \tau)$  is a standard pair of  $M_{\gamma}$ .

Next we claim  $(A\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}^{\tau^c}) \cap (A\mathbf{Q}^{\tau}) = \{0\}$ , which implies the lemma. Suppose  $(A\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}^{\tau^c}) \cap (A\mathbf{Q}^{\tau}) \neq \{0\}$ . Let  $v \in \mathbf{N}^{\tau^c}$  be a nonzero element satisfying  $Av \in A\mathbf{Z}^{\tau}$ . Then there exists  $w \in \mathbf{N}^{\tau}$  such that  $Aw \in Av + A\mathbf{N}^{\tau}$ . Since  $A(u+mw) \notin M_{\chi}$  for any  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $(Au + A\mathbf{N}^{\tau \cup \tau'}) \cap M_{\chi} = \emptyset$  for  $\tau' = \{i \mid v_i \neq 0\}$ . This contradicts  $(u, \tau)$  is a standard pair of  $M_{\chi}$  again. []

Thanks to Lemma 4.4, we regard the set  $\tau$  of a standard pair  $(u, \tau)$  as the proper face  $A\mathbf{Q}^{\tau}$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_{>0}A$ .

For an ideal I of  $\bar{\mathbf{k}}[s]$ , we denote by V(I) the zero set of I. Proposition 4.3 and the equation (4.16) give the following prime decomposition of  $B_{\chi}$  and irreducible decomposition of the zero set  $V(B_{\chi})$ .

#### Theorem 4.5 1.

$$B_{\chi} = \bigcap_{(u,\tau) \in \mathcal{S}(M_{\chi})} \langle F_{\sigma} - F_{\sigma}(Au) \mid \sigma : facet \supset \tau \rangle.$$
 (4.17)

2.

$$V(B_{\chi}) = \bigcup_{(u,\tau)\in\mathcal{S}(M_{\chi})} (Au + \mathbf{k}(A\cap\tau)). \tag{4.18}$$

**Proof.** From (4.16), we only need to show

$$\mathbf{k}[s] \cap \langle \theta_i - u_i \mid i \notin \tau \rangle = \langle F_{\sigma} - F_{\sigma}(Au) \mid \sigma \supset \tau \rangle. \tag{4.19}$$

First we have

$$V(\mathbf{k}[s] \cap \langle \theta_i - u_i \mid i \notin \tau \rangle) = Au + \mathbf{k}(A \cap \tau) = V(\langle F_{\sigma} - F_{\sigma}(Au) \mid \sigma \supset \tau \rangle).$$
 (4.20)

Hence

$$\mathbf{k}[s] \cap \langle \theta_i - u_i \, | \, i \notin \tau \rangle \quad \supset \quad \langle F_{\sigma} - F_{\sigma}(Au) \, | \, \sigma \supset \tau \rangle$$

$$= \quad I(V(\langle F_{\sigma} - F_{\sigma}(Au) \, | \, \sigma \supset \tau \rangle))$$

$$= \quad I(V(\mathbf{k}[s] \cap \langle \theta_i - u_i \, | \, i \notin \tau \rangle)) \tag{4.21}$$

where I stands for taking the defining ideal. On the other hand,  $J \subset I(V(J))$  is automatic for any ideal J. We therefore obtain (4.19). ||

Proposition 4.6

$$V(B_{\chi+\chi'}) \subset V(B_{\chi}) \cup (V(B_{\chi'}) + \chi) \quad \text{for } \chi, \chi' \in \mathbf{Z}A.$$
 (4.22)

2.

$$V(B_{\chi+\chi'}) = V(B_{\chi}) \cup (V(B_{\chi'}) + \chi) \qquad \text{for } \chi, \chi' \in \mathbf{N}A. \tag{4.23}$$

Proof.

1. Let  $p_\chi \in B_\chi$ ,  $p_{\chi'} \in B_{\chi'}$ , and  $P_\chi \in S_\chi$ ,  $P_{\chi'} \in S_{\chi'}$  be in the correspondence in Proposition 4.1. Then

$$\begin{split} P_{\chi}P_{\chi'}\partial^{\chi'_{+}}\partial^{\chi_{+}} &= P_{\chi}p_{\chi'}(s)\partial^{\chi'_{-}}\partial^{\chi_{+}} \\ &= p_{\chi'}(s-\chi)P_{\chi}\partial^{\chi_{+}}\partial^{\chi'_{-}} \\ &= p_{\chi'}(s-\chi)p_{\chi}(s)\partial^{\chi_{-}}\partial^{\chi'_{-}}. \end{split} \tag{4.24}$$

Hence  $p_{\chi'}(s-\chi)p_{\chi}(s) \in B_{\chi+\chi'}$ .

2. Let  $p_{\chi+\chi'}\in B_{\chi+\chi'}$  and  $P_{\chi+\chi'}\in S_{\chi+\chi'}$  be in the correspondence in Proposition 4.1. Then

$$p_{\chi+\chi'} = P_{\chi+\chi'} \partial^{\chi'} \cdot \partial^{\chi}.$$

Hence  $p_{\chi+\chi'}(s) \in B_{\chi}$ .

Furthermore

$$p_{\chi+\chi'}(s+\chi)\partial^{\chi}=\partial^{\chi}p_{\chi+\chi'}(s)=\partial^{\chi}P_{\chi+\chi'}\partial^{\chi'}\partial^{\chi}.$$

Hence  $p_{\chi+\chi'}(s+\chi) = \partial^{\chi} P_{\chi+\chi'} \partial^{\chi'}$ , which implies  $p_{\chi+\chi'}(s+\chi) \in B_{\chi'}$ .

**Proposition 4.7** Let  $\chi \in \mathbf{Z}A$ . Let  $p_{\chi} \in B_{\chi}$ ,  $p_{-\chi} \in B_{-\chi}$ , and  $P_{\chi} \in S_{\chi}$ ,  $P_{-\chi} \in S_{-\chi}$  be in the correspondence in Proposition 4.1. Then

$$P_{-\chi}P_{\chi} = p_{\chi}(s+\chi)p_{-\chi}(s). \tag{4.25}$$

Proof.

$$P_{-\chi}P_{\chi}\partial^{\chi_{+}} = P_{-\chi}p_{\chi}(s)\partial^{\chi_{-}}$$

$$= p_{\chi}(s+\chi)P_{-\chi}\partial^{\chi_{-}}$$

$$= p_{\chi}(s+\chi)p_{-\chi}(s)\partial^{\chi_{+}}.$$
(4.26)

Divide it by  $\partial^{\chi_+}$  to obtain the conclusion.

For  $\chi \in \mathbf{Z}A$ , define an ideal  $B_{-\chi,\chi}$  by

$$B_{-\chi,\chi} := \langle p_{\chi}(s+\chi)p_{-\chi}(s) | p_{\chi} \in B_{\chi}, p_{-\chi} \in B_{-\chi} \rangle. \tag{4.27}$$

Then the following proposition is immediate from the definition of  $B_{-\chi,\chi}$ .

## Proposition 4.8 1.

$$V(B_{-\chi,\chi}) = (V(B_{\chi}) - \chi) \cup V(B_{-\chi}). \tag{4.28}$$

2.

$$V(B_{-\chi,\chi}) = V(B_{\chi,-\chi}) - \chi. \tag{4.29}$$

**Theorem 4.9** Let  $\chi \in \mathbf{Z}A$ . If  $\beta \notin V(B_{-\chi,\chi})$ , then two A-hypergeometric systems  $M_A(\beta)$  and  $M_A(\beta + \chi)$  are isomorphic.

**Proof.** First note that  $\beta \notin V(B_{-\chi,\chi})$  is equivalent to  $\beta + \chi \notin V(B_{\chi,-\chi})$  by Proposition 4.8. Take polynomials  $p_{\chi} \in B_{\chi}$  and  $p_{-\chi} \in B_{-\chi}$  such that  $p_{\chi}(\beta + \chi)p_{-\chi}(\beta) \neq 0$ . Let  $P_{\chi} \in S_{\chi}$ ,  $P_{-\chi} \in S_{-\chi}$  be in the correspondence in Proposition 4.1. Then by Proposition 4.7, we have the following equalities:

$$P_{-\chi}P_{\chi} = p_{\chi}(s+\chi)p_{-\chi}(s),$$
 (4.30)

$$P_{\chi}P_{-\chi} = p_{-\chi}(s-\chi)p_{\chi}(s). \tag{4.31}$$

The multiplications by  $P_{-\chi}$ ,  $P_{\chi}$  respectively induce homomorphisms:

$$f: M_A(\beta) \longrightarrow M_A(\beta + \chi),$$
 (4.32)

$$g: M_A(\beta + \chi) \longrightarrow M_A(\beta).$$
 (4.33)

Then

$$g \circ f = p_{\chi}(\beta + \chi)p_{-\chi}(\beta)id_{M_A(\beta)} \tag{4.34}$$

and

$$f \circ g = p_{-\chi}((\beta + \chi) - \chi)p_{\chi}(\beta + \chi)id_{M_A(\beta + \chi)} \tag{4.35}$$

$$= p_{-\chi}(\beta)p_{\chi}(\beta + \chi)id_{M_A(\beta + \chi)}. \tag{4.36}$$

Hence f and g are isomorphisms.

Now we are ready to prove the if-part of our main theorem.

## Proof of the if-part of Theorem 2.1.

We suppose that  $E_{\tau}(\beta) = E_{\tau}(\beta')$  for all faces. Let  $\chi := \beta' - \beta$ . We claim  $\beta \notin V(B_{-\chi})$ . Assume the contrary. Then by Theorem 4.5, there exists a standard pair  $(u,\tau) \in \mathcal{S}(M_{-\chi})$  such that  $\beta - Au \in \mathbf{k}(A \cap \tau)$ . The equality  $E_{\tau}(\beta) = E_{\tau}(\beta')$  implies that there exists  $v \in \mathbf{N}^n$  such that  $\beta - \beta' = A(u - v)$ . Hence the intersection of  $Au + \mathbf{N}(A \cap \tau)$  with  $(\beta - \beta') + \mathbf{N}A$  is not empty. This contradicts the standardness of  $(u,\tau)$ . We have thus proved  $\beta \notin V(B_{-\chi})$ . By symmetry we have  $\beta' \notin V(B_{\chi})$ , which is equivalent to  $\beta \notin V(B_{\chi}) - \chi$ . Hence  $\beta \notin V(B_{-\chi,\chi})$  by Proposition 4.8. From Theorem 4.9 we conclude  $M_A(\beta)$  is isomorphic to  $M_A(\beta')$ .

As a corollary of the proof of the if-part of Theorem 2.1, we obtain the following.

**Corollary 4.10** If two A-hypergeometric systems  $M_A(\beta)$  and  $M_A(\beta')$  are isomorphic, then there exists an operator  $P \in S_{\beta'-\beta}$  such that the multiplication by P from the right induces an isomorphism from  $M_A(\beta)$  to  $M_A(\beta')$ .

# 5 Normal case

In this section, we consider the normal case:

$$\mathbf{N}A = \mathbf{Z}A \cap \mathbf{Q}_{>0}A. \tag{5.37}$$

Many important examples are known to be normal, such as Aomoto-Gel'fand systems, the A-hypergeometric systems corresponding to  $p+1F_p$ , Lauricella functions, etc. (see [9], [10]). It will turn out below that the parameter space can be classified in terms of the primitive integral support functions  $F_{\sigma}$  in the normal case.

Lemma 5.1 Assume A to be normal. Then we have the following.

- 1.  $(\mathbf{Q}(A \cap \tau)) \cap \mathbf{Z}A$  equals  $\mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau)$  for all faces  $\tau$ .
- 2.  $F_{\sigma}(\mathbf{N}A) = \mathbf{N}$  for all facets  $\sigma$ .
- 3. For a face  $\tau$ ,

$$\mathbf{N}A + \mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau) = \mathbf{Z}A \cap \bigcap_{\sigma: facet \supset \tau} (\mathbf{N}A + \mathbf{k}(A \cap \sigma)). \tag{5.38}$$

- **Proof.** (1) Let  $\chi \in (\mathbf{Q}(A \cap \tau)) \cap \mathbf{Z}A$ . Add a vector  $\chi' \in \mathbf{N}(A \cap \tau)$  to  $\chi$  so that  $\chi + \chi' \in \mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}(A \cap \tau)$ . By the normality, we see  $\chi + \chi' \in \mathbf{N}(A \cap \tau)$ . Hence  $\chi$  belongs to  $\mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau)$ .
- (2) Let  $\chi \in \mathbf{Z}A$  satisfy  $F_{\sigma}(\chi) = 1$ . For  $\sigma' \neq \sigma$ , there exists  $a_j \in \sigma \setminus \sigma'$ . Hence there exists  $\chi' \in \mathbf{N}(A \cap \sigma)$  such that  $F_{\sigma'}(\chi + \chi') \geq 0$  for all facets  $\sigma'$ . By the normality,  $\chi + \chi' \in \mathbf{N}A$ . Since  $F_{\sigma}(\chi + \chi') = 1$ , we obtain  $F_{\sigma}(\mathbf{N}A) = \mathbf{N}$ .
- (3) Let  $\chi \in \mathbf{Z}A$  satisfy  $F_{\sigma}(\chi) \geq 0$  for all facets containing  $\tau$ . For a facet  $\sigma$  not containing the face  $\tau$ , there exists  $a_j \in \tau \setminus \sigma$ . Hence there exists a vector  $\chi' \in \mathbf{N}(A \cap \tau)$  such that  $F_{\sigma}(\chi + \chi') \geq 0$  for all facets  $\sigma$  of the cone  $\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A$ . By the normality,  $\chi + \chi' \in \mathbf{N}A$ , and thus  $\chi \in \mathbf{N}(A \setminus A \cap \tau) + \mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau)$ .

**Theorem 5.2** Let  $\beta, \beta' \in \mathbf{k}^d$ . Then  $M_A(\beta) \simeq M_A(\beta')$  if and only if  $\beta - \beta' \in \mathbf{Z}A$  and  $\{\sigma : facet, F_{\sigma}(\beta) \in \mathbf{N}\} = \{\sigma : facet, F_{\sigma}(\beta') \in \mathbf{N}\}.$ 

**Proof.** By Proposition 2.2 (3), the only-if-part follows from Theorem 2.1. Next we prove the if-part. Suppose  $\beta - \beta' \in \mathbf{Z}A$  and  $\{\sigma : \text{facet}, F_{\sigma}(\beta) \in \mathbf{N}\} = \{\sigma : \text{facet}, F_{\sigma}(\beta') \in \mathbf{N}\}$ . By Lemma 5.1 (1), (2), and Propositions 2.2, 2.3, we obtain  $E_{\sigma}(\beta) = E_{\sigma}(\beta')$  for all facets. By Lemma 5.1 (3), the if-part follows from Theorem 2.1.

Example 5.3 Let

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array}\right).$$

Let  $\beta \in \mathbf{Z}A = \mathbf{Z}^d$ . Then by Theorem 5.2, the A-hypergeometric system  $M_A(\beta)$  is isomorphic to

$$\begin{array}{llll} & M_A(^t(0,0,0)) & if & \beta_1 \geq 0, \beta_2 \geq 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 \geq 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \\ & M_A(^t(0,-1,1)) & if & \beta_1 \geq 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \\ & M_A(^t(0,1,-1)) & if & \beta_1 \geq 0, \beta_2 \geq 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \\ & M_A(^t(1,0,-1)) & if & \beta_1 \geq 0, \beta_2 \geq 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,-1,1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 \geq 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 \geq 0, \\ & M_A(^t(0,-1,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 \geq 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(0,0,-1)) & if & \beta_1 \geq 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-2,-1,1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(0,-1,-1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,-1,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,0,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,0,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta_2 + \beta_3 < 0, \\ & M_A(^t(-1,0,0)) & if & \beta_1 < 0, \beta_2 < 0, \beta_1 + \beta_3 < 0, \beta$$

# 6 Monomial curve case

In this section, we conider d=2 case. Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & i_2 & i_3 & \cdots & i_{n-1} & i_n \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $0 < i_2 < i_3 < \cdots < i_n$  relative prime integers. Put  $F_{\sigma_1}(s) = s_2$  and  $F_{\sigma_2}(s) = i_n s_1 - s_2$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{E}(A)$  the set of holes, i.e.,

$$\mathcal{E}(A) := ((\mathbf{N}A + \mathbf{Z}a_1) \cap (\mathbf{N}A + \mathbf{Z}a_n)) \setminus \mathbf{N}A$$

$$= \{ \beta \mid E_{\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A}(\beta) = \{0\}, E_{\sigma_1}(\beta) = \{0\},$$

$$E_{\sigma_2}(\beta) = \{0\}, E_{\{0\}}(\beta) = \emptyset \}.$$
(6.40)

The rank of  $M_A(\beta)$  is d or d+1, and it equals d+1 if and only if  $\beta \in \mathcal{E}(A)$  (see [2], [13]).

**Lemma 6.1** For any face  $\tau$ ,

$$\mathbf{Z}A \cap (\mathbf{k}(A \cap \tau)) = \mathbf{Z}(A \cap \tau). \tag{6.41}$$

**Proof.** When  $\tau$  is the whole cone  $\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A$  or the origin  $\{0\}$ , the statement is trivial.

Note that  $\beta$  belongs to  $\mathbf{Z}A$  if and only if  $F_{\sigma_1}(\beta) \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $F_{\sigma_2}(\beta) \in \mathbf{Z}$ , and  $F_{\sigma_1}(\beta) + F_{\sigma_2}(\beta) \in i_n \mathbf{Z}$ . Suppose  $\beta \in \mathbf{Z}A \cap (\mathbf{k}(A \cap \sigma_1))$ . Then  $F_{\sigma_2}(\beta) \in i_n \mathbf{Z}$ . When  $F_{\sigma_2}(\beta) = di_n$ , we have  $\beta = da_n$ . []

## Corollary 6.2

$$\mathcal{E}(A) = \{ \beta \in \mathbf{Z}A \mid F_{\sigma_1}(\beta) \in F_{\sigma_1}(\mathbf{N}A), F_{\sigma_2}(\beta) \in F_{\sigma_2}(\mathbf{N}A) \} \setminus \mathbf{N}A.$$
 (6.42)

**Proof.** This is immediate from Lemma 6.1.

Theorem 2.1 in the monomial curve case is as follows.

## Theorem 6.3 Let $\beta, \beta' \in \mathbf{k}^d$ .

- 1. Suppose  $\beta \notin \mathcal{E}(A)$ . Then  $M_A(\beta')$  is isomorphic to  $M_A(\beta)$  if and only if  $\beta \beta' \in \mathbf{Z}A$ ,  $\beta' \notin \mathcal{E}(A)$ , and  $\{\sigma_i : F_{\sigma_i}(\beta) \in F_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{N}A)\} = \{\sigma_i : F_{\sigma_i}(\beta') \in F_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{N}A)\}$ .
- 2. Suppose  $\beta \in \mathcal{E}(A)$ . Then  $M_A(\beta')$  is isomorphic to  $M_A(\beta)$  if and only if  $\beta \in \mathcal{E}(A)$ .

**Proof.** (2) directly follows from Theorem 2.1.

The only-if-part of (1) follows from Theorem 2.1 by Proposition 2.2 (3). Next suppose that  $\beta - \beta' \in \mathbf{Z}A$ ,  $\beta, \beta' \notin \mathcal{E}(A)$ , and that  $\{\sigma_i : F_{\sigma_i}(\beta) \in F_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{N}A)\} = \{\sigma_i : F_{\sigma_i}(\beta') \in F_{\sigma_i}(\mathbf{N}A)\}$ . Then by Lemma 6.1, Proposition 2.2 (3), and Proposition 2.3 (2), we have  $E_{\sigma_i}(\beta) = E_{\sigma_i}(\beta')$  for i = 1, 2. Moreover we know  $E_{\{0\}}(\beta), E_{\{0\}}(\beta') = \emptyset$  from Proposition 2.2 (2). Hence  $M_A(\beta)$  and  $M_A(\beta')$  are isomorphic by Theorem 2.1.  $\|$ 

## **Example 6.4** ([13, Chapter 4]) Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 7 & 9 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$F_{\sigma_1}(\mathbf{N}A) = \{0, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, \dots\},$$
 (6.43)

and

$$F_{\sigma_2}(\mathbf{N}A) = \{0, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, \dots\},$$
 (6.44)

Parameters in  $\mathbf{Z}A = \mathbf{Z}^2$  are decomposed into five parts according to the isomorphism classes of their corresponding A-hypergeometric systems:

- 1. NA,
- 2.  $\{ {}^{t}(\beta_{1}, \beta_{2}) \mid \beta_{2} \in F_{\sigma_{1}}(\mathbf{N}A), 9\beta_{1} \beta_{2} \notin F_{\sigma_{2}}(\mathbf{N}A) \},$
- 3.  $\{ t(\beta_1, \beta_2) \mid \beta_2 \notin F_{\sigma_1}(\mathbf{N}A), 9\beta_1 \beta_2 \in F_{\sigma_2}(\mathbf{N}A) \},$
- 4.  $\{ t(\beta_1, \beta_2) | \beta_2 \notin F_{\sigma_1}(\mathbf{N}A), 9\beta_1 \beta_2 \notin F_{\sigma_2}(\mathbf{N}A) \},$
- 5.  $\mathcal{E}(A) = \{t(2,10), t(2,12), t(3,19)\}$ : the set of holes.

# 7 Final remark

Thanks to Theorem 2.1, all D-invariants of A-hypergeometric systems can be described in terms of  $E_{\tau}(\beta)$ ; the characteristic cycles (in particular, the rank), the monodromy representations, etc. One of most recent results is given by Tsushima ([15]) on Laurent polynomial solutions. He has proved that the vector space of Laurent polynomial solutions of  $M_A(\beta)$  has a basis consisting of canonical series whose negative support corresponds to a face  $\tau$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_{\geq 0}A$  such that dim  $\tau = |\{a_j \mid a_j \in \tau\}|$ , and that  $0 \in E_{\tau}(\beta)$  but  $0 \notin E_{\tau'}(\beta)$  for any  $\tau' \subset \tau$ . In particular, the dimension of the vector space of Laurent polynomial solutions equals the cardinality of the set of such faces. This is a generalization of the corresponding result by Cattani, D'Andrea and Dickenstein ([2]) in the monomial curve case.

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